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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations - I.C.P.O.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year)
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31/12/2003: Martin, KN5G, is QRV from Jamaica (NA-097) until January 4, 2004. He is running low power and active on 80 through 10 meters, including 17 and 12 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx ARRL DX News]

01/01/2004: Jean-Louis, F6AGR, from AMSAT-France, reports that Sebastien, who got his ham license October 31st, will be active for one year (2004) on AO-40 (and LEOs) from Amsterdam Island (FT1Z, WW Loc. MF81TX, IOTA AF-002). He also plans to be active on 50 MHz, and on HF as soon as the French laws permit (he has a no-code license). AMSAT-France is actively preparing his SAT hardware (dish, 2.4 GHz converter, yagi, etc., which have to be as light as possible), providing training and will handle QSL cards. [Tnx OPDX]

01/01/2004: Look for Piero, I2CZQ/p, to be QRV January 1st from the Torre di Nadro a Ceto (DCI reference BS-062, for the Italian Castles Award). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB, starting at approximately 10:00 UTC and ending at approximately 12:30 UTC. The Tower of Nadro is located in the Region of Lombardia, Province of Brescia (BS). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx I2CZQ]

01/01/2004: Sara, HA9SD, and Eli, HA9RE, will be active from Tuvalu (OC-015) between January 1st and 18th (callsign TBA) and from Tonga (OC-049) as A35RE from 20 January to 4 February. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 80, 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres with two stations. QSL direct only via HA8IB ("against 2 new IRCs or 2 US"). [Tnx 425DXN]

01/01/2004: W4UC is again going to operate from the Pensacola Lighthouse (ARLHS USA-592) on Naval Air Station Pensacola (Escambia county Florida, WW Loc. EM60ii) on January 1, 2004. This will be the Five Flags Amateur Radio Associations 3rd annual event from the Lighthouse. FFARA, W4UC, broadcast the very first official Amateur station from inside the Lighthouse 3 years ago with assistance from the US Navy and US Coast Guard. January 1st marks a special day as it was on January 1st in 1859 that the light was first lit in the Pensacola Lighthouse. W4UC plans on having a minimum of 3 stations operating on 6, 10, 15, 20, 40 meters from 15:00 UTC to 22:00 UTC. For QSL Information, look up W4UC on QRZ.com. They will be using ARLHS member #844. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx ARLHS BeaconBot]

02/01/2004: A team led by Francesco IK0FVC, will activate 1A0KM during January 2nd to 5th. Other team members will be I0JBL, IK0FTA and IK0PRG. Starting with this operation, the QSL manager for 1A0KM's activities will be Sergio, IK0FTA. For further information send an e-mail to 1a0km@sixitalia.org . [Tnx I1JQJ / 425DXN]

02/01/2004: Brian, ND3F, plans to be QRV as C6A/N3IQ from Treasure Cay, Abaco Island (NA-080), between January 2nd to 10th. This includes an

entry in the ARRL RTTY Roundup. Activity will be on 80 to 10 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx ARRL DX News]

02/01/2004: Hiroo will once again be active as XU7AAA between January 2nd and 7th. QSL is direct only to P.O. Box 10,003 Vientiane Laos. [Tnx JI6KVR]

02/01/2004: IZ8CCW (Antonio) and IZ8FWN (Pietro) will be active as either Z38M or Z3/homecalls from Macedonia between January 2nd and 6th. They plan to operate SSB, CW and RTTY on all bands along with several members of Z37M. QSL via IZ8CCW. [Tnx 425DXN]

03/01/2004: Look for Francois, F5JNE/p, to be QRV January 3rd from the Castle of Sermizelles (DFCF reference 89.252, for the French Castles Award) starting around 07:30 UTC. Activity will be on 40 meter SSB. The following references also count for this operation - Canton: Avallon 8903; Zip Code for the Ten millions award: 89200; Department: Yonne (89) and Province: Burgundy. QSL direct or via the French REF bureau. SWL QSL cards are welcome. [Tnx F5NQL]

03/01/2004: Jeffrey (KG0VL) and Justin (K9MU) will depart St. Paul, MN, at 11:30 am on January 1st. Beginning January 3rd, the two operators will activate Grids EO16 and EO26 for the next couple of weeks. Operators will sign VE4/K9MU (from EO16) and VE4/KG0VL (from EO26). Their activity will be on HF, 50, 144 and 903 MHz. Liaison frequency is 7268 kHz (Days) and 3958 kHz (Evenings). Because of increased traffic on 7268, they will also monitor 7265 kHz (+/-). Their interesting travel plans and planned operation details can be read on the following Web page at: http://www.qsl.net/k9mu/ArcticGridExpedition.html [Tnx OPDX]

03/01/2004: Look for Jose, YV6BTF, to be QRV as YV6BTF/p from Chimana Grande (SA-090) between January 3rd and 4th. QSL via home call, direct prefered. [Tnx ARRL DX News]

04/01/2004: The Radio Club Argentino will provide communications to the 300 participants in the 6th Andes Crossing between January 4th and 15th. Two HF stations will be active on all bands SSB and CW as LS4M (a prefix that has not been activated for nearly 20 years). QSL via LU4AA, direct or bureau. A special award will be issued for five QSOs (any mode, any band) with LS4M; further information can be requested at lu4aa@lu4aa.org . [Tnx 425DXN]

05/01/2004: Look for OH1AWW (Veko), OH1RX (Jouko), OH3JR (Henri), OH6KN (Veijo) and OH9MDV (Kimmo) to be QRV from the Austral Islands between January 5th and 19th. They plan to operate on all bands CW, SSB and digital modes, with an emphasis on the low bands. [Tnx 425DXN]

05/01/2004: Peter, NO2R, has received his callsign/license and will be active as XU7ACY from Sihanoukville, January 5th to 12th. Activity will be on 160, 80 and 40 meters exclusively. QSL via K2NJ, direct. [Tnx OPDX]

06/01/2004: OH9O (OH8K -VHF Group) will activate KP17WV between January 6th and 9th with operators OH6JW and OH9TT. They will use a 16 element yagi with 3cx800 amplifier, mainly on FSK. For skeds QRB over 2000km via oh6jw@sral.fi . QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx F5NQL]

11/01/2004: Look for Chris, GM3WOJ, to be active as ZL1CT/4 from Stewart Island (OC-203), 04:00 UTC January 11th to 10:00 UTC January

15th. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB only, using 400 watts to verticals. QSL via N3SL (QRZ.com). [Tnx OPDX]

12/01/2004: Marco, CE6TBN, plans to be active as CE6TBN/8 from Riesco Island (IOTA SA-031, DICE ICE-804) January 12th through 15th and from Wellington Island (IOTA SA-032, DICE ICE-802) January 17th through 20th. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter SSB, with monoband verticals antennas and TS-140. QSL via N1IBM (Morris E. Maze III, 847 Dolan St., Lanoka Harbor, New Jersey 08734, USA). [Tnx CE6TBN]

13/01/2004: Bill, W4WX, will be QRV January 13th to 19th from Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (NA-015) as KG4DX. Activity will be on HF and 6 meters. QSL direct to W4WX, or via LoTW. [Tnx 425DXN]

14/01/2004: Look for Pierre F6FXS, to be active once again as FG/F6FXS, from Guadeloupe mainland (IOTA NA-102, DIFO FG-001) between January 14th and February 13th. Activity is planned on CW only and low power (30 watts) into a long wire antenna. The daily schedule will be 13:00 to 14:00 UTC and 22:00 to 24:00 UTC on 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 meters. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

15/01/2004: Martijn, PA3GFE, will be going back to Peru on January 15th for at least three months and will operate as OA7/PA3GFE in his spare time. His activity will be on 40 through 6 meters (hopefully also on 80 meters) CW and SSB, with the low and WARC bands as primary interests. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

15/01/2004: Look for Emilio, PU5HAS, to be QRV January 15th to 17th from Mel Island (SA-047) as PY5/PU5HAS. Activity will be on 80 through 10 meters, SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

16/01/2004: Andy, G0VUH, will be active from The Gambia as C56/G0VUH between January 16th and 30th. He is expected to be on every day and during the nights on all bands. He will have a big beam from 20-10 meters and two verticals that are combined for 80 meters. QSL via the home callsign G0VUH. [Tnx OPDX]

17/01/2004: Marco, CE6TBN, plans to be active as CE6TBN/8 from Wellington Island (IOTA SA-032, DICE ICE-802) January 17th through 20th. Activity will be on 40, 20, 17, 15, 12 and 10 meter SSB, with monoband verticals antennas and TS-140. QSL via N1IBM (Morris E. Maze III, 847 Dolan St., Lanoka Harbor, New Jersey 08734, USA). [Tnx CE6TBN]

17/01/2004: John, G4RCG, and Bruce, KI7VR, will be QRV from the Dominican Republic (NA-096) as G4RCG/HI9 and KI7VR/HI9 between 17 January and 31 January, 2004. Activity will be on all bands 160 through 10 meters. Look for G4RCG/HI9 to take part in the CQ WW 160 Meter CW Contest. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

20/01/2004: Sara, HA9SD, and Eli, HA9RE, will be active from Tonga (OC-049) as A35RE between January 20th and February 4th. They plan to operate CW and SSB on 80, 40, 30, 20, 15 and 10 metres with two stations. QSL direct only via HA8IB ("against 2 new IRCs or 2 US$"). [Tnx 425DXN]

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!! - A HEALTY, HAPPY AND PEACEFUL YEAR 2004 TO EVERYONE!

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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